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Magalie R. Salas, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, NW, Room 222 Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Notice of oral ex parte communication

AMTA Petition for Rulemaking - Promotion of Spectrum Efficient

**Technologies** 

Replacement of Part 90 by Part 88 - PR Docket No. 92-235

To the Secretary:

On August 20, 1998, the American Mobile Telecommunications Association, Inc. ("AMTA"," the Association") made an oral *ex parte* communication in the above-referenced proceedings to D'wana Terry, Chief, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, and Herb Zeiler, Deputy Chief. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the status of the above proceedings, and to discuss the Bureau's plans to deal with the Petition for Rulemaking.

AMTA expressed its preference that the Petition not be included as a part of the so-called "refarming" proceeding (PR Docket No. 92-235), or included within an examination of land mobile frequency bands for purposes of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, but perhaps would be better suited to a biennial review of Part 90. The Association also discussed its conversations with other associations regarding their likely positions on the Petition. AMTA noted that one reason for filing the Petition was its concern that failure to mandate spectrum efficient technology on the land mobile bands is leading to decreased manufacturer interest in providing equipment for the bands.

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Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, 47 C.F.R. § 1206(b), an original and one copy of this Notice are being provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: D'wana Terry, Division Chief Herb Zeiler, Deputy Chief